# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Chief Financial Officer

Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer



## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi

**Chief Financial Officer** 

**DATE:** February 16, 2001

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: "Uniform Consultation Referral

Forms Act of 2001"

**REFERENCE:** Draft Legislation - Bill Number Not Available (B 14-055)

### Conclusion

There is no significant financial impact associated with the provisions of the proposed legislation. Funds are sufficient in FY 2001 through FY 2004 budget and financial plan to conduct the activities required by the proposed legislation.

### Background

The proposed legislation calls for health insurers in the District that require the insured to have a written referral to receive consultation services to use a uniform consultation referral form. The proposed legislation allows the Commissioner of the Department of Insurance and Securities Regulation (DISR) to create the uniform referral form and issue rules and regulations to implement the provisions of the proposed legislation.

#### **Financial Plan Impact**

The proposed legislation only simplifies the referral process by creating standardized referral forms. Costs associated with implementing the components of the proposed legislation are negligible. Accordingly, DISR will not require additional staff or resources to implement its provisions.